## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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IN RETARDING RETROGRADATION OF STARCH

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments, prior to examination on the merits of the present divisional application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows.